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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

BRUCE BORJESSON,

Plaintiff,

v.

WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY FSB, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. C20-433-RSM

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

This matter comes before the Court on Plaintiff Bruce Borjesson's Motion for Extension of Time. Dkt. #26. Mr. Borjesson moves for an "[e]xtension of time or continuance of hearing scheduled for July 3, 2020." *Id.* at 1. He states he needs this extension because he "is 71 years old and operating by himself Pro Se," and because his health "is poor at best with advancing Diabetes, heart conditions and swollen feet.... coupled with 3 full naps per day due to food allegies [sic] causes even more health problems and stress having to act as his attorney." *Id.* at 2. Mr. Borjesson expresses concern with having to appear in court given the COVID-19 pandemic. *Id.* He also states that he has "no time left to properly respond to the issues of the hearing..." *Id.* He does not request a specific amount of additional time.

As an initial matter, the Court would like to assure Mr. Borjesson that there are no inperson hearings scheduled in this matter, no party has requested oral argument, and the Court

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has no intention of ordering or directing Mr. Borjesson to appear in its courtroom in the immediate future.

There are two pending Motions to Dismiss in this case. One has been noted for consideration on June 26, 2020. Dkt. #20. Mr. Borjesson failed to respond to that Motion in a timely fashion and it is now ready for the Court's consideration. The other Motion to Dismiss is noted for consideration on July 3, 2020. Dkt. #21. This Motion will be considered on the papers and without an in-court appearance. Mr. Borjesson's response brief is due today, June 29, 2020. *See* LCR 7(b)(2); LCR 7(d)(3). The timing of this Motion violates Local Civil Rule 7(j).

Given this impending deadline, the Court does not have an opportunity to wait for responsive briefing from Defendants. Although the Court could easily deny Mr. Borjesson's Motion as unclear and procedurally improper, in an abundance of caution and in order to address the merits of this case the Court has concluded that a short extension is warranted given Mr. Borjesson's health issues. The Court will extend the deadline for Mr. Borjesson's response brief for the Motion to Dismiss at Dkt. #21 only. Mr. Borjesson's response brief is now due July 6, 2020. Any Reply brief is due July 10, 2020. There will be no further extensions.

Having considered the briefing and the remainder of the record, the Court hereby finds and ORDERS that Plaintiff Bruce Borjesson's Motion for Extension of Time, Dkt. #26, is GRANTED as set forth above.

DATED this 29th day of June, 2020.

RICARDO S. MARTINEZ

CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE